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**OGC HAS REVIEWED.**  
Chief, Procurement & Contract Division  
Assistant General Counsel

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1. Reference is made to your memorandum of 19 April 1951 in connection with the request of [REDACTED] for filing application for letters patent.

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2. It appears that the Contractor requests the Government's consent prior to filing the application inasmuch as the subject matter may possibly involve the unauthorized disclosure of classified information, bringing it within the provisions of the Espionage Act (18 U.S.C., Chapter 37).

3. The invention referred to in the basic file appears to have been developed during the scope of the Contractor's normal commercial activities. For this reason it is assumed that the invention here concerned, which is in the nature of an improvement, was not of such particular character as to require any contribution by CIA with respect to design or function. It would appear, therefore, that the filing of the patent application will be normal to the Contractor's activities and will in no way adversely affect the national security through an improper disclosure. Fundamentally, this is a matter involving security considerations and you may wish to seek the acquiescence of I&SS in this matter.

4. From the legal standpoint, the proposed action is proper and should be processed without delay, unless otherwise required.

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